

Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

Kent/Sussex Collaborative Working Group

September 7, 2016, 10:00 AM

Milford State Service Center, Annex Building

- I. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM. In attendance were, Adrienne Owen (DSP), Nina Brown (DSP) and Aimee String (DVCC).
- II. Old Business
  - a. Delaware State Fair
    - i. In looking into doing an information booth at the Delaware State Fair, we discovered that it was a huge time commitment. Vendors are required to have someone at their booth from 10:00 AM-10:00 PM every day. Those who do not comply are fined. Aimee could not remember the exact cost of the fine but believed it was approximately \$500. The cost of having a booth and supplies was also costly. Individuals working the booth would have to pay separate admission to the fair. The committee decided to table the idea for the Summer of 2016 but to revisit in 2017.
    - ii. Aimee called the Delaware State Fair and was told that information and rates about booking a vendor spot for 2017 would be available soon after the 2016 fair. Aimee will check back.
    - iii. Committee members discussed a possible collaboration on this effort with the DVTF or VRTF. This would allow a larger pool of individuals to staff the booth. After the committee reviews the 2017 rules/rates, we will reach out to the DVTF to see if they are interested in collaborating.
    - iv. The Kent/Sussex Collaborative Working Group does not have funding for this project so we would also need to investigate funding sources.
  - b. Sussex County DV Forum
    - i. The Sussex County DV Forum will take place on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM at Seaford High School. We will once again use Art Fusion who will perform two skits that will be followed with a Panel Discussion.
    - ii. The committee discussed possible panel members. Recommendations include:
      - 1. School Resource officer (Adrienne will find out who this is)
      - 2. School nurse or wellness center representative
      - 3. Seaford police officer
      - 4. Jenna Hitchens
      - 5. Athletic Coach
      - 6. Student Representative

- iii. In conjunction with the Forum there will be a poster contest for the students. Students will be invited to create an information poster around a Domestic Violence theme. There will be a winner from each participating school and a statewide winner. We are still looking for sponsors for the prizes. The hope is to provide a \$250 gift card for each of the winners.

III. New Business

- a. The Committee would like to see guest speakers at some of the future meetings. Speakers seem to increase attendance.
  - i. Possible speakers/topics
    1. Commissioner (speak about gun relinquishments/how they decide)
    2. People's Place: Batterer's Intervention Program
    3. Anyone with additional suggestions should e-mail Aimee at [aimee.string@state.de.us](mailto:aimee.string@state.de.us)

IV. Agency Reports

- a. None

V. Next Meeting

- a. Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Milford State Service Center, Annex Building . 10:00 AM